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From: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: BOATANCHORS digest 3408

BOATANCHORS Digest 3408

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by Roger Klingman <mrhistory@juno.com>
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by Andy Wallace <wallace@world.std.com>
- 5) Re: Electric Radio 10/2002
by Jack Harper <jharper@bsi2000.com>
- 6) Re: Collins 32RA Transmitter
by "Hue Miller" <kargo_cult@msn.com>
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- 17) lists
by Smith <smithab11@comcast.net>
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by Smith <smithab11@comcast.net>
19) Re: AC Plugs
by Jerry Proc <jerry7proc@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat, 26 Oct 2002 02:00:19 -0400
From: <cacutts@mindspring.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Electric Radio 10/2002
Message-ID: <Springmail.0994.1035612019.0.58374000@webmail.atl.earthlink.net>

I received mine on Thursday the 24th here in Atlanta.

Allen Cutts
N4OZI

From: "John K9UWA" <k9uwa@arrl.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Date: Sat, 26 Oct 2002 14:16:53 -0500
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Subject: BC-939-B Tuner Unit for Sale + Other Items
Message-Id: <20021026190154.ECEM1046.sccmmhc01.mchsi.com@k9uwa>

Duh....I forgot to put the link with this one.....

Here is another link to a vary large Amp....pair of 4-1000'svery nice.... plus a Home Brew Amp that was built in a Collins style cabinet....good for parts or to finish the project up.....any interest in it.....will talk.....e-mail me...

<http://JohnJeanAntiqueRadio.com/BA.htm>

thanks
John k9uwa

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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: boatanchors@theporch.com
Date: Sat, 26 Oct 2002 14:38:30 -0500
Subject: Re: BC-939-B Tuner Unit for Sale + Other Items
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From: Roger Klingman <mrhistry@juno.com>

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John,
I am looking for a manual to go with a CRV-46156 Radio Receiver, it is a unit of model RAL-7 RCA, range 0.3 to 23. Do you have one?

73,
Roger Klingman
K0RMK
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From: Andy Wallace <wallace@world.std.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: RCA BC-342-M FS, \$50 + shipping, continental US only
Date: Sat, 26 Oct 2002 15:38:00 -0400
Message-ID: <uoolru89qc6507hp50c3lomks8e0uv8p7n@4ax.com>
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Have for sale what is labelled as an RCA BC-342M receiver. Very restorable...just want to recoup my money for it, as it has sat for a year with nothing happening...

Pretty good condition. Appears unhacked. Has factory A/C supply and even retains the "remove when installing rectifier" plate on the back.

Has metal plate inside with schematic and parts list for BC-342-N. I do not know if this really is a -N or a -M.

Align input, xtal phasing, CW osc, and bandswitch knobs are correct. Other knobs are wrong but functional. One panel lock knob is missing the knurled shell.

One headphone jack cover and CW key jack cover missing. Shorting plug (?) in headphone jack. Dial is fine, lamps and cover and glass are fine. Cabinet has no extra holes that I can tell. Handles, fuse holders, etc are all there. Power supply has a more modern style fuse holder; not sure if that was a mod or not.

Worst blemish is a 2" gouge next to the ground terminal like someone had a vibrating alligator clip on it. Strange...could be filled and painted.

Large elbow connector on the bottom right has been removed and replaced with a plain plate which is unpainted. Not a bad job.

Interior looks very nice and it has all the metal tubes in it. Tried it out on a variac; lights up but no audio and I am not going any further. (Draws an amp.) Cloth covered cord is there; part which plugs into round A/C socket on set should probably be replaced.

This is heavy and would cost a bit to ship, but if you want me to do so, US Mail or UPS, I could. It could also be picked up in NE MA/SE NH possibly.

Overall: this is not a bad set and a good candidate for restoration. It is more than a parts set. If someone has the proper knobs and two jack covers it would look very good. I am not asking much because it is not perfect and it is heavy to ship.

I have JPG photos available if you want to see them. Just ask.

--Andy
wallace@theworld.com

Message-Id: <4.1.20021026133523.03859140@mail.bsi2000.com>
Date: Sat, 26 Oct 2002 13:36:38 -0600

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: Jack Harper <jharper@bsi2000.com>
Subject: Re: Electric Radio 10/2002
Mime-Version: 1.0
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...and I received mine last Wednesday but then I live only a few miles away from Pine, Colorado...

Regards to the List.

Jack, W0YJ (Friend to all things Hammarlund)

At 20:32 10/25/2002 -0400, you wrote:

>Received mine today Heinz.

>Via regular mail

>Bob Mattson...W2AMI

>WN2AMI 1962

>Highland NY

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>----- Original Message -----

>From: "Heinz und Hannelore Breuer" <hbreuer@debitel.net>

>To: "Old Tube Radios" <boatanchors@theporch.com>

>Sent: Friday, October 25, 2002 3:54 PM

>Subject: Electric Radio 10/2002

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>Hi,

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>I have not yet received the October issue of ELECTRIC RADIO. Usually I
>get it by airmail between the 19th and 22nd each month. I just wanted to
>know if there is a delay because of the transition in ownership or if
>just my copy is late.

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>Thanks and best 73

>de Heinz DH2FA, KM5VT

>

Jack Harper
303.231.9095

BSI2000, Inc.
Denver, Colorado USA

<http://www.bsi2000.com> (Last Update: 020922)

From: "Hue Miller" <kargo_cult@msn.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Collins 32RA Transmitter
Date: Sun, 27 Oct 2002 14:36:07 -0800
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Message-ID: <0E149BEj3lNpoBxuaNE00016a20@hotmail.com>

----- Original Message -----

From: <W7QHO@aol.com>
Subject: Collins 32RA Transmitter

> All,
> I am currently restoring one of these transmitters at the Ft. MacArthur
> Museum in San Pedro, CA. The rig was used there in WW2 with a BC-779
receiver
> to communicate with a HQ element in San Bernardino, CA.
> Dennis D. W7QHO

I wonder why the military kept a circuit on radio when landline would
seemingly be more
reliable and higher data rate. Maybe for training purposes?
Hue Miller

Message-Id: <3.0.3.32.20021027181923.024b67dc@pop-server.nc.rr.com>
Date: Sun, 27 Oct 2002 18:19:23 -0500
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: john <johnmb@nc.rr.com>
Subject: Ham News...hardback/bound
Mime-Version: 1.0
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boundary="====354E7C9F===="

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I've found Volumes 1-3 of this... were there further? (I'm
sure that the booklets themselves carried on past '60
which is where Vol 3 ends)

Anyone ever seen higher bound volumes?

John

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Version: 6.0.401 / Virus Database: 226 - Release Date: 10/9/02

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Message-ID: <01af01c27e20\$ea014440\$9ad8d90c@mchsi.com>

From: "Allan Culbert" <k0al@mchsi.com>

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Subject: HAMFEST REPORT

Date: Sun, 27 Oct 2002 19:25:33 -0600

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Regular traffic on this reflector used to include hamfest reports of BAs =
spotted at hamfests, so here goes one for Hamfest Iowa that was held =
today (10/27) in Des Moines, Iowa.

Johnson SWR unit with coupler

Harvey Wells Z Matcher

Heath AT-1

above spotted going OUT the door as I arrived, so no idea of the prices =
asked

Drake DC-4 power supply \$60

Drake TR-4 w/ AC-4 & MS-4 \$225

Drake TR-3 w/ AC-3 & MS-4 \$150

Hallicrafters HT-37 \$225

HT-37 / SX-101/ D-104 \$500
SX-100 \$250 (really shined)
HQ-150 \$225
SX-25 not priced
National RAS (one coil and epicyclical dial jammed) \$220
NC-173 w/ speaker \$170
75A2-A w/ 270G-2 and 3.1 filter (no manual, stated to be not working) =
\$700
Johnson 275 watt matchbox \$75
SX-42 \$325 (looked terrific)=20
R-42 speaker \$125
S-38 \$30
HQ-170 \$225
Harvey Wells TBS-50D / APS -50 power supply AND matching VFO with =
original manual \$150
Viking II CDC model \$175 (excellent condition)
Collins 312A-1 \$50 (followed me home)
Several Vibroplex keys \$100 - 150
Brown Brothers combination iambic paddle and straight key the "B" model =
\$175
Heath SB series of all kinds including SB-200 and SB-220 amplifiers but =
unpriced when I strolled by.
BC-221 frequency meter \$20
Several command sets=20

All in all, I was very surprised by the amount of BAs and the generally =
good condition the equipment was in.

73

Al, K0AL

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From: WA5CAB@cs.com
Message-ID: <e6.30b55e3b.2ae5ed@cs.com>
Date: Mon, 28 Oct 2002 14:11:41 EST
Subject: FS: A.R.C. T-13 (28V) VHF TRANSMITTER
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Groups,

I'm trying to clean out the remains of my Command Set collection from years ago. The T-13 is the AM transmitter used with the A.R.C. (Aircraft Radio Corporation) Type 12 or Type 15 Command Sets. It normally covers 132-148 MC with five crystal controlled channels. With an accessory capacity plate installed around three of the four tubes, it tunes 125-140 MC. This unit is complete except for crystals. Finish is pretty good except for a stain on the tube cover and some spots of black paint on the right side. Price is \$25.00 plus shipping. Unit has both a green Navy anchor and an orange Signal Corps stamp on the front panel. I'm going to include a second incomplete parts unit. It is missing the covers, but does have one crystal.

I also have an R-15 (28V), an R-19 (14V) and an R-19 (28V) but need to look at them before assigning a price. And I have a C-1917/AR control box for \$12.50, a couple of D-10-A's, one 14V and one 28V, and a couple of Type 12 Instruction Books with UHF Supplement, but these seem to be pretty common.

If interested, please reply direct.

73
Robert Downs
Houston
<WA5CAB@cs.com>

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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: boatanchors@theporch.com
Date: Mon, 28 Oct 2002 13:26:14 -0600
Subject: Old book needed
Message-ID: <20021028.132614.-232561.2.mrhistory@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
From: Roger Klingman <mrhistory@juno.com>

Fellow BAers,
A friend is missing The Radio Handbook, 13th edition 1955, by William Orr
W6SAI. Anyone have one for sale?

73,
Roger Klingman
K0RMK

Message-ID: <3DBDBD8F.56D4BF83@bw.webex.net>
Date: Mon, 28 Oct 2002 17:43:27 -0500
From: Al Klase <skywaves@bw.webex.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: National AGS-X Project Radio
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gentlemen,

I've taken a highly modified AGS-X under my wing, and I'm going to need your help to straighten it out. The radio was "improved" by the installation of octal tubes. I can deal with this. I have some FB-7 wreckage to help out with tubes shields, etc. The real problem is that the original tuning capacitor assembly was replaced with one from an HRO, dial included. I've obtained the proper Velvet Vernier dial, but that's the easy part. From pictures in the manual I've determined that the original setup included a three-section sheetmetal box across the inside of the front panel containing three National type SE variables, with their

shafts pointing forward. The middle cap is turned by the dial and controls the oscillator. It is unclear how the two outboard caps are connected to the middle one: gears? belts? dental floss?

At bare minium I need to know how the capacitors were interconnected. Do we know anyone who has one of these Radio? (AWA museum apparently does not.) Of course, if there's a parts set around, let me know.

Any help greatly appreciated.

73,
Al

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Al Klase - N3FRQ
skywaves@bw.webex.net
Flemington, NJ 08822
Web Page: <http://www.webex.net/~skywaves/home.htm>

From: W6cds@aol.com
Message-ID: <aa.143c7a5f.2af027ea@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 29 Oct 2002 13:05:30 EST
Subject: WTB Bird QC Connectors
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi gang! I need your help in finding several Bird 43 QC Connectors. I need Bird #4240-050 UHF (S0239 type) & Bird #4240-062 "N" Female connectors. If you have any extras or know of any for sale please reply off list to me. Thank you. Charles W6CDS

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Date: Tue, 29 Oct 2002 12:25:57 -0600
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: George Humphrey <kc5wbv@9plus.net>
Subject: PolyPhasers
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Hi Gang,

Bought some used VHF/UHF polyphasers. What is a good way to test them for functionality?

73 de George
KC5WBV

Message-ID: <001b01c27f95\$1db5bee0\$98162c42@default>
From: "philip" <dgnova@erols.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: National AGS-X Project Radio
Date: Tue, 29 Oct 2002 16:49:49 -0500
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
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Greetings AL

I used to have a National AGS.

The tuning condensers were 270 degree jobs. Not the normal 180 degrees as most condensers are.

I am trying to jog my memory about the tuning condenser drive. I sort of think it used flat coppery bands, sort of like an Atwater Kent of similar vintage.

The IF may be 500kc not 455kc. But I could easily be wrong.

The residual inductance was fixed. National did this by adjusting the length of the leads going from the tuning condenser to the coils. They use a standard coil set, tuning around 2mcs, inserted the standard coil set and then adjusted the length of the tuning condenser to coil leads.

As a result, you could switch coils among AGS s without having to adjust the inductance.

The original version used all 5 pin tubes, the automotive set, 36,37 and 38. A later modification used a 89 in the audio output and 78 s in the front end.

I think I have a write out about it. Will see if I still have it.

Philip McCoy dgnova@erols.com

----- Original Message -----

From: Al Klase <skywaves@bw.webex.net>

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Sent: Monday, October 28, 2002 5:43 PM

Subject: National AGS-X Project Radio

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> 73,

> Al

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> Al Klase - N3FRQ

> skywaves@bw.webex.net

> Flemington, NJ 08822

> Web Page: <http://www.webex.net/~skywaves/home.htm>

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Date: Tue, 29 Oct 2002 19:56:51 -0800
From: Dan Arney <hankarn@pacbell.net>
Subject: REF: FS ITEMS
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Message-id: <3DBF5883.2030807@pacbell.net>
MIME-version: 1.0
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I still have R-39XX and other parts for sale.

KC/MC new CNC machined out of 6061 aluminum and powder coated \$30.00 ea.
For all R39XX including R-391.

Clamps new made out of 6061 with screw, nut & washer
7.00 ea.

Locking pins for R-391 and ARR-15 long & short. new 15.00 ea.

R390/391 new green gears made out of stainless 45.00 ea.

Oldham couplers disk with 3 springs new stainless 12.00 ea.

Tags for all R39XX contracts plus other with S/N
of YOUR choice/ R 274, SP 600 freq. plates, EFJ Desk,
RACAL 2274, CV/591/1722/1728, 391 channel plates & R-388 27.00 ea.
51J? plus S/N, and others

75A-4 audio mod plate 6.00 ea.

R39XX top and bottom covers \$55.00 set or 30.00 ea.

R-390A Utah RF deck cover plate new alodined/silk screened 15.00 ea.

R-390/391 RF deck covers alodined and silk screened 30.00 ea.

R39XX 15 small knobs stripped, powder coated and 13 filled 70.00 set

SX-88 new panels powder coated & silk screened 330.00 ea.

SX-88 new bezels CNC 6061 aluminum and powder coated 250.00 ea.
Have 2 panels and 2 bezels left.

R39XX panels stripped powder coated, silk screened, filled Check for \$\$

32V-3 & KWS-1 panels re-finished Check for pricing.

Cabinets stripped and powder coated Check for pricing

Any welding, hole plugging surface finishing etc to be determined

All items are plus shipping USPS Priority mail with confirmation in most cases.

Payment Hams with current address in QRZ.com personal checks Prefer USPS money orders. If Pay Pal please add 2.5% as the above prices are fairly tight.

Dan Arney
c/o Global Pack & Mail
21315 Saticoy St. Unit R
Canoga Park, CA 91304-5685

Thanks,
Hank
KN6DI

Message-Id: <5.1.1.6.2.20021029231001.00a8cc70@mail.sover.net>
Date: Tue, 29 Oct 2002 23:11:28 -0500
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: Michael Crestohl <mc@sover.net>
Subject: FS: Nice Drake TR-4C Station
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

I am selling a complete Drake TR-4C station for an estate. It consists of:

TR-4C Transceiver including the 34PNB accessory noise blanker, S/N is in the 35K range.

RV-4C Remote VFO including loudspeaker

AC-4 AC power supply, SN is 41K

In my opinion this is a nice "daily driver" station and could be a fine collectable with some work and attention.

It is in clean condition. The TR-4C has a very few small scratches on the cabinet, the RV-4C has more but these are fairly minor. I do not see evidence of any modifications made to any of the pieces. For reasons unknown to me someone cut a small part of the lower case right around the MIC and PHONES jacks about 1" long and about 3/8" wide. Also the knob is

missing. On the RV-4C the aluminum insert on the tuning knob is missing. The knob and the insert should be easy to obtain inexpensively. Electrically it could use a going-through, test all tubes and check the alignment, etc. There is no manual but this is also easily found online.

Asking price is \$500.00 plus shipping costs. If interested please reply by e-mail. here's your chance to buy it before it goes you know where!

73,

Michael Crestohl
mc@sover.net

Date: Wed, 30 Oct 2002 08:47:58 -0500
From: Smith <smithab11@comcast.net>
Subject: lists
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Message-id: <000901c2801a\$f4eef040\$06f12144@dover01.de.comcast.net>
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Can anyone recommend a single list for military radios? I would like to just get on one list.

Breck K4CHE
<http://mywebpages.comcast.net/smithab11/>

Date: Wed, 30 Oct 2002 09:21:11 -0500
From: Smith <smithab11@comcast.net>
Subject: AC Plugs
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
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Why are there holes in the prongs of standard AC Plugs that we use everyday.

K4CHE Dover, Delaware,
annt nutten in Dover, except chickens, a NASCAR track and hams that cant solder.

Message-ID: <20021030142936.30111.qmail@web21503.mail.yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 30 Oct 2002 06:29:36 -0800 (PST)
From: Jerry Proc <jerry7proc@yahoo.com>
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Hello K4CHE,

The holes in the prongs were originally developed by Nick Tezla Jr. who was employed as an engineer in the toaster division of the Sunbeam Corporation of Chicago in the 1930's. Sunbeam had recently lost several million-dollar lawsuits filed by consumers whose mouths were scalded by the napalm-like effect of Smucker's grape jam. This jam had been applied to toast which had come out of a Sunbeam toaster at an unreasonably hot temperature. Sunbeam management then asked him to come up with a quick fix for the 182,000 unsold toasters stored in a Cicero warehouse. Mr. Tezla, in a moment of inspiration, realized that if he could somehow impede the flow of electricity to the toaster, the ultimate temperature could be reduced.

Feverishly using his slide rule in the Sunbeam research laboratory one evening, he calculated that by merely punching one hole in each prong of the power plug, the electron flow would be impeded to the point where the toasters would run significantly cooler. He was so sure of his concept, that he immediately presented his idea to an executive session of the Sunbeam board of directors. They approved the modification of all the toasters in stock providing the cost was no more than 15 cents per toaster. All the other appliance manufacturers noted this change and applied it unthinkingly to their products without knowing the exact reasons.

There is footnote to this story with major implications. In the late 1980's, Sunbeam was concerned with price competition and found no good reason to continue with the process of punching holes in prongs in their appliances and ordered their prong-hole punchers dismissed. The cost savings resulted in Sunbeam winning the bid to be the sole source of the coffee brewers used in McDonald's restaurants in North America. You know the rest of the story.

Now, for my theory of why trailer parks attract tornados.....

(Thanks to Bill, KD0HG for passing on this tongue-in-cheek historical insight).

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Regards,
Jerry Proc
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